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PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. 21465-501 CIP2

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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FOR: METHOD OF SEQUENCING A NUCLEIC ACID

Box PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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### REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

1. This is a request for filing a continuation-in part application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) claiming priority to USSN 09/664,197, filed September 18, 2000, which in turn claims priority to USSN 09/398,833, filed September 16, 1999.
2. This application is a total of 74 pages. This application includes:
  - 55 pages of specification(not including claims, abstract, or figures)
  - 10 pages of claims
  - 1 page of abstract
  - 8 pages of figures (Fig 1- 5; formal)
3. Also included is a Declaration and Power of Attorney (Unsigned) (5 pages)
4. Small entity status is appropriate for this application.
5. Fees for this application have been calculated as follows:

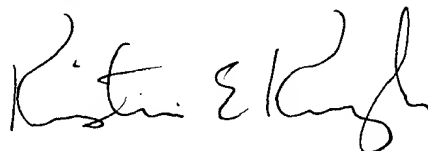
CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$ 710.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	87	- 20 =	67	\$ 18.00	\$ 1206.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	7	- 3 =	4	\$78.00	\$ 312.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	X			\$260.00	
				SUBTOTAL:	\$2228.00
				Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:	\$1114.00
				TOTAL FEE:	\$1114.00

INVENTOR **Rothberg *et al.***  
Request for New Nonprovisional Application (37 C.F.R. §1.53(b))

6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee of **\$1,114.00**, and any additional all fees due, or credit any overpayments of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 21465-501 CIP2.

7. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



Dated: March 21, 2001

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